

ADJUTANT AND INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Richmond, September 11, 1863.

GENERAL ORDERS, {
No. 122. }

I. Commanding officers of regiments, battalions, &c. will, immediately on receipt hereof, cause to be made out and forwarded, through proper channels, to Col. J. S. Preston, Chief of the Bureau of Conscription, a complete list of all persons held as substitutes in the army, in their respective commands. This list will embrace the regiment, company, date of enlistment, and age of each substitute, with the name and post office of the principal. They will also, in the same manner, furnish a monthly roll of all deserters and absentees without leave. This will be arranged according to the county and congressional district to which the parties belong, and will set forth the time and place of desertion in each case.

II. All officers, charged by commanding generals with the duty of arresting and returning deserters and absentees, will report to the commandant of conscripts in the respective states to which such officers are sent, and will co-operate generally with enrolling officers in the discharge of the duties assigned to them.

III. The following act of Congress is published for the information of all concerned:

"Every person, not subject to the Rules and Articles of War, who shall procure or entice a soldier of the Confederate States to desert, or who shall purchase from any soldier his arms, uniform, clothing, or any part thereof, shall, upon legal conviction, be fined at the discretion of the court having cognizance of the same, in any sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, and be imprisoned not exceeding one year."

By order.

S. COOPER,
Adjutant and Inspector General.